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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Confirmation No. 6970  
Takahiro OSHITA et al. : Docket No.01213/GEB667-US  
Serial No. 09/180,601 : Group Art Unit 1764  
Filed November 10, 1998 : Examiner A. Doroshenk  
FLUIDIZED-BED GASIFICATION  
METHOD AND APPARATUS :

AMENDMENT

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of November 19, 2001, a three month extension of time being  
filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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In the Claims:

Kindly add the following new claims 29 and 30:

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29. (New) An apparatus for treating combustibles, said apparatus comprising:  
a fluidized-bed furnace having a gasification region for gasifying combustibles so as to  
generate combustible gas and non-combusted particles, and having a heat recovery region, said  
fluidized-bed furnace further including a fluidized medium operable to circulate between said  
gasification region and said heat recovery region;  
a heat recovery surface in said heat recovery region for recovering heat from said fluidized  
medium; and

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